

REGIONAL LABOR MARKET AREA 1 FIRST QUARTER 2002 COVERED EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES

Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard,
St. Charles, St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Tammany



The average quarterly employment for RLMA 1 during first quarter 2002 was 596,134, a decrease of 1.7% from fourth quarter 2001, and a decrease of 1.6% from the same period in 2001. Employment increased in three of the 20 NAICS sectors during first quarter 2002.

Average quarterly employment data for first quarter 2002, fourth quarter 2001, first quarter 2001, and the percent change for the major industry sectors is shown in the table "Average Quarterly Employment" on page 12. Health care and social assistance was the leading industry in RLMA 1 with 77,589 employees, or 13% of total employment. Orleans was the leading parish with 254,813 employees, or 42.7% of total employment.

Total wages increased 2.4% from the same period in 2001, and decreased 4.9% from fourth quarter 2001, for an average weekly wage of \$619.40. St. Charles parish had the highest average weekly wage of \$851.81.

Average weekly wage data for each parish in RLMA 1 is listed in the table below. Average weekly wage data for all parishes within each NAICS sector is shown in the table, "Regional Labor Market Area 1" beginning on page 14.

Parish	Avg. Wkly. Wage
Jefferson	\$ 571.91
Orleans	664.31
Plaquemines	749.34
St. Bernard	507.02
St. Charles	851.81
St. James	714.38
St. John the Baptist	621.66
St. Tammany	498.58

The number of reporting units in RLMA 1 for first quarter 2002 was 36,008.

Due to the conversion to NAICS, this data should not be compared to data in publications prior to first quarter 2001.

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MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT

